



Capt. Benjamin Sheehan, left, ordnance officer, gives Gen. William Wallace, commander, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, an overview of officer training at the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools' Forward Operations Base Warrior, May 22.

TRADOC CG says OC&S ‘gets it’

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The commander of the U.S. Army’s Training and Doctrine Command paid a visit to the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools May 22.

Gen. William Wallace remarked that the warrior training in OC&S is some of the best he’s seen throughout the Army.

“You guys get it,” OC&S commander Maj. Gen. Vincent Boles quoted Wallace as saying.

Boles began the visit with an overview of the Ordnance Corps and it’s responsibilities as the second largest branch in the Army. He also discussed the successful placement of a TRADOC mandated “39 and 9 Battle Drills and Warrior Tasks” program into the training base.

The program ensures that each ordnance Soldier is proficient in basic battlefield sur-

vival techniques.

Wallace’s visit also included a tour of the Ordnance Museum, lunch with drill sergeants, a tour of Project Warrior, and a briefing at Forward Operating Base Warrior, where junior ordnance officers learn battlefield logistics management skills.

After the tour, Wallace hosted a town hall meeting at the post theater where he discussed TRADOC’s role as the “Architect of the Army,” which he said means that his command is responsible for meeting “the demands of a nation at war while simultaneously anticipating solutions to the challenges of tomorrow.”

He explained TRADOC’s vital function in transforming the Army.

“We have an opportunity to touch every piece of the Army,” he said referring to the fact that every Soldier will go through a TRADOC school at

some point in their career, whether it is advanced individual training for new enlisted Soldiers, basic and advanced noncommissioned officer training for noncommissioned officers, or training for the Army’s newest officers.

“TRADOC is the only command in the Army where every Soldier passes through at sometime in their career,” Wallace said.

He also discussed the

impact that the Base Realignment and Closure law will have on the Army and TRADOC. He called BRAC an opportunity to develop a leaner and more efficient force.

“It’s a chance to reduce time in the training base and stylize training to Soldiers in future units,” he said.

He answered a few questions from the audience before departing.

